Drive-in for
COFFEE
8 AM - 11 AM & 5 PM - 10 PM
HOTEL
SIDDHARTA
NAZARABAD, MYSURU PH: 2522938

STAR OF MYSORE

OUR EVENING DAILY

Vol. 49 No. 97 Pages: 12 Rs. 3.00
Ph: 2496520 / 21 / 22 / 23
E-mail: voice@starofmysore.com
ad@starofmysore.com

MYSURU Monday 25th May 2026
City Offices: K.R. Circle Ph: 2431774
Devaraja Urs Road Ph: 2428695
Visit: www.starofmysore.com

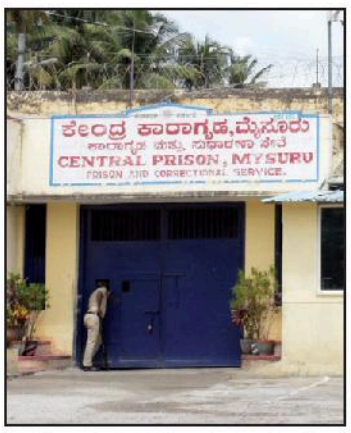
Jail Warder... JAILED!

Mysuru Central Prison staffer arrested for attempting to supply tobacco to inmate

Mysuru, May 25 (GA&BCT)- In a classic case of the "fence eating the crop," a Jail Warder entrusted with preventing contraband from entering Mysuru Central Prison was himself caught smuggling banned items into the jail.

The accused, identified as H.R. Ramesh, a Jail Warder, was caught while attempting to carry tobacco products inside the prison premises in city.

In an ironic turn of events, Ramesh, who was until recently responsible for monitoring inmates, has now become one himself. Following his arrest, he was remanded to Judicial Custody and is currently lodged at



Nanjangud Jail.

According to the FIR (No. 0075/2026) registered at Mandi Police Station under Narasimharaja Sub-Division, Ramesh had been assigned duty to escort sick inmates to the prison hospital. However, without informing senior officers, he entered the prison compound and proceeded towards the kitchen area.

Caught on camera

CCTV footage reportedly showed him engaging in a suspicious conversation with undertrial prisoner Syed Shakib alias 'Panipuri,' prompting prison authorities to place him under surveillance.

On May 22 at around 5.45 pm, when Ramesh attempted to re-enter the prison premises, Assistant Jailor N. Shivakumar conducted a thorough search in the presence of Jailor S.B. Kundaranada.

During the search, officials allegedly recovered contraband concealed inside Ramesh's innerwear and socks. The seized items included three packets of shredded tobacco leaves weighing 10 grams, two packets of filter tobacco powder weighing 6 grams and four packets of beedis.

Prison authorities stated that the seized materials are prohibited under Section 42(i)(ii) of the Prison Reform Act, 2022.

The contraband was immediately confiscated and the matter was reported to senior officials. Subsequently, Assistant Jail Superintendent M. Deepa lodged a formal complaint against Ramesh at Mandi Police Station.

Costly Fuel!

Petrol and diesel prices hiked for the fourth time in 11 days

Mysuru, May 25 (VNS)- The petrol and diesel prices were hiked for the fourth time in the last 11 days with Government-owned oil companies increasing the petrol price by Rs. 2.61 per litre and diesel by Rs. 2.71 per litre across the country, this morning.

However, the prices in Mysuru will be on little higher side with petrol price increasing by 2.83 per litre and diesel by Rs. 2.82 per litre. With the latest revision, petrol price in Mysuru increased to Rs. 110.44 per litre from 107.61 and diesel Rs. 98.39 per litre from Rs. 95.57.

The latest hike comes just two days after oil marketing companies had raised petrol price by 87 paise and diesel by 91 paise per litre on May 23. Earlier, after nearly four years, fuel prices were increased by Rs. 3 per litre on May 15. Following this, petrol and diesel prices were again hiked by 90 paise on May 19.

Rs. 37 lakh supari plot busted; 7 arrested

Uncle planned nephew's murder to avoid sharing high-value property

Mysuru Superintendent of Police (SP) Mallikarjun Baladandi, flanked by Additional SP C. Mallik and Dy.SP Ravi, addressing media persons at his office in city this morning.

Mysuru, May 25 (BLU&KS)- Seven persons, including four from Mysuru, have been arrested by the Mysuru District Police for allegedly plotting the murder of a man over a property dispute by offering a Rs. 37 lakh supari contract in Periyapatna Police limits. The man who gave the supari contract is the uncle of the victim.

Addressing a press conference at his office this morning, SP Mallikarjun Baladandi said, the accused have been identified as 57-year-old Raju alias 'Soude' Raju of Bettadapura village in Periyapatna taluk, K.P. Shafi of Sampaje of Sullia taluk in Dakshina Kannada district, Mir Hussain Ali alias Sultan of Periyapatna town, 43-year-old Nayaz Ahmed of Hunsur, 43-year-old Habid Pasha alias Bhaiya of Shanthinagar in Mysuru, 28-year-old Ayaz Pasha alias 'Hero' of Sunnadakeri and 35-year-old Aminulla, also of Sunnadakeri in Mysuru.

Attack on Apr. 13

The SP said, on Apr. 13 at around 6.45 pm, two masked men riding a 'Pulsar' motorcycle attacked Praveen Kumar with lethal weapons in an alleged attempt to murder him within Periyapatna Police limits.

(See SUPARI on page 6)

Lure of trading profits

Man loses Rs. 63 lakh

Mysuru, May 25 (GA&KS)- A 53-year-old man from Gokulam lost more than Rs. 63 lakh to online fraudsters after falling prey to a fake investment scheme promoted through social media.

The victim, Mahesh (name changed), stated in his complaint that he came across an investment advertisement while browsing Instagram on Feb. 3. Soon, he received a call from a woman who introduced herself as Anvika Meher and gave him information on Kotak Securities.

According to the complaint, on Mar. 6, Anvika got a registration form filled out by Mahesh and sent a link to his WhatsApp through which a trading account was opened in his name.

(See MAN on page 6)

STAR OF MYSORE

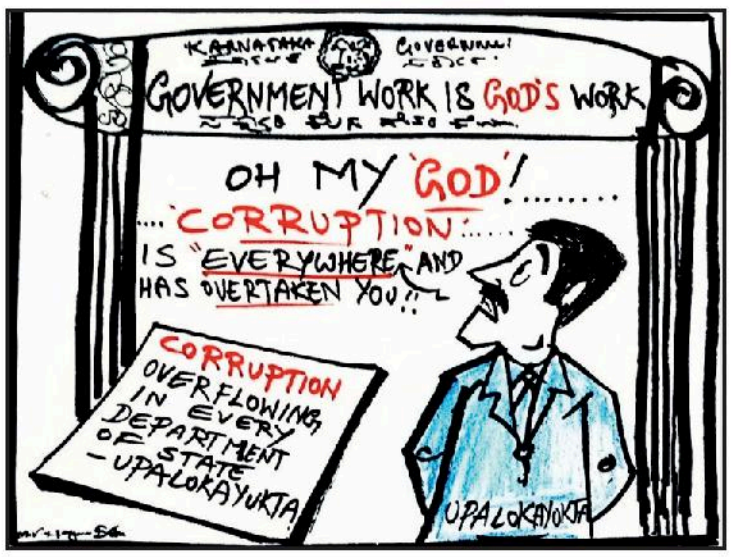
"We believe comment is free, but facts are sacred."

Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Monday 25th May 2026

BABU'S BANTER

By M.V. Nagendra Babu



EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

TIME SHAPES WHO WE BECOME: ***Have you ever thought about how different you are now from what you were ten years ago? The music you loved, the opinions you held, the things that kept you busy and many other things have changed. Today, something has shifted, maybe a lot. So, at what point does a person stop being the same person?***

It sounds like a strange question. Of course, you are still you. Your name has not changed; your face is roughly the same, though it changes as years pass and people still call you by the same name. Your body is not the same as the one you were born with. Almost every cell in your body has been replaced multiple times. The ancient Greeks noticed a version of this problem in the Ship of Theseus paradox. If you replace every plank in a ship one by one, is it still the same ship? It sounds like a riddle, but when you apply it to a human life, it ceases to be abstract.

John Locke believed memory was the answer. According to him, you are the same person as the nervous kid in your school photos because you remember being that kid or at least remember someone who remembered being that kid. There is, however thin, a thread connecting you to your past. But what about everything you have forgotten? Does losing a memory mean losing a piece of yourself? Derek Parfit, a twentieth-century philosopher, thought we were asking the wrong question entirely. He argued that identity is not some precious thing you carry around. What matters is simply that your thoughts, feelings and experiences today grew out of those you had yesterday, which grew out of the day before.

You are less like a single object and more like a flame being passed from candle to candle.

Buddhism has conveyed this idea for ages. It summarises the central teachings of Buddhism: *Anicca* ***(impermanence) and*** *Anatta* ***(no-self). Buddhism explains that the self is not a solid, immutable thing but a process that is always changing and evolving. The you of today and tomorrow are linked, yet they are not the same.***

This explains why people say you are not a noun; you are a verb. You are a process, not a static object. And maybe it isn't a frightening concept either. Maybe it means that whoever you are now is not your ultimate definition. It keeps changing. *—Anitha Ramachander in Deccan Herald*

NEWS SPARKLERS

Poops lead man to mountain lion encounter

California: A man who noticed mysterious faeces on the roof of his guest house ended up in a close encounter with the source — a mountain lion.

Bill Dabney said he spotted the unusual droppings on the roof of his guest house in Pasadena and it was immediately clear that they were not from a bird.

He said the presumed source of the mystery droppings soon made itself known. "All of a sudden I look over and [there's a] mountain lion staring at me. He was in the position mode, like he was going to spring," Dabney said.

The homeowner fled indoors, and the mountain lion did not pursue.

Lawn-mowing speed record broken

Kentucky: An influencer known as the "Lawn Queen" broke a Guinness World Record in Kentucky by mowing a football field-sized area in under 15 minutes.

Hali Rieman, a turf care influencer known as the "Lawn Queen," drove a mower provided by power technology company Rehlko to mow the TurfMutt Great Lawn at Louisville's Waterfront Park in 14 minutes and 51.06 seconds.

Organisers said the record-keeping organisation's rules required the grass to be at least six inches high prior to the mowing.

The Rehlko mower was powered by a Command PRO 999 cc gasoline engine.

"The TurfMutt Great Lawn at Waterfront Park is a centrepiece of our community, and we're so proud to see it recognised on this scale," Deborah Bilitski, President and Executive Director of Waterfront Park, said in a news release.

HEALTH CAPSULE

Spacing is Smart Care

A healthy gap between pregnancies is not delay. It is protection for both mother and baby.

By Dr. Amulya K G, - Consultant – Obstetrics & Gynaecology
Manipal Hospitals Mysore

manipalhospitals
LIFE'S ON

** Health Capsule is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature*

Dr. Basappa of UoM gets 'Visiting Professor' status

Mysuru, May 25- Sechenov First Moscow State Medical (SMSM) University has assigned the official status of "Visiting Professor" to Dr. Basappa Salundi, Chairman, Department of Organic Chemistry, University of Mysore, Mysuru.

Dr. Basappa Salundi

First Vice-Rector of SMSM University A.A. Svistunov officially named academic professionals from several countries, including Haiyan Hu (China), Jung Hwan Baek (South Korea) and Basappa Salundi (India).

The University's official website states: 'The status of 'Visiting Professor of Sechenov University,' which has existed since Nov. 15, 2025, is an honorary, lifelong title for recognised external specialists. It does not entail formal employment or salary, as Visiting Professors are not full-time employees. Attracting such world-class experts enhances the University's prestige and builds a pool of loyal, leading scientists, and facilitates an increase in the number of publications and international grants."

Dr. Basappa Salundi holds Ph.D (2005) from UoM and has post-doctoral research experience at Kobe Pharmaceutical University (2005), Hokkaido University (2006-09), National University of Singapore (2009-2011), Research Affiliate at MIT, USA and Meijo University, Japan.

He also served as a Registrar (Evaluation) and Deputy Registrar (Administration), at UoM.

WATER LEVEL

KRS DAM	KABINI DAM	HARANGI DAM
Maximum **124.80 feet**	Maximum **2,284 feet**	Maximum **2,859 feet**
Today's level **83.12 feet**	Today's level **2,253.21 feet**	Today's level **2,823.42 feet**
Last year's level **89.12 feet**	Last year's level **2,260.76 feet**	Last year's level **2,832.78 feet**
Yesterday's level **83.76 feet**	Yesterday's level **2,253.40 feet**	Yesterday's level **2,823.43 feet**
Today's Inflow **126 cusecs**	Today's Inflow **106 cusecs**	Today's Inflow **203 cusecs**
Today's Outflow **3,644 cusecs**	Today's Outflow **700 cusecs**	Today's Outflow **180 cusecs**

REALLY...?

- ***Venomous snakes are classified by two distinct types of venom — Hemotoxic venom is toxic to blood and Neurotoxic venom is toxic to the nervous system.***

LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

Santa met with an accident and went to a hospital...
Doctor: *You need stitches*
Santa: *What will be the cost?*
Doctor: *Rs. 800*
Santa: *Oh doctor, I need only stitches, not embroidery work!!*

TODAY'S CURRENCY RATE

1 US Dollar	= **Rs. 95.35**
1 UK Pound	= **Rs. 128.48**
1 UAE Dirham	= **Rs. 25.96**
1 Euro	= **Rs. 111.02**

VOICE OF THE READER

Drain overflows at Kuvempunagar

Sir,

The apathy of the Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) officials continues and literally has no leaps and bounds. The storm-water drain below our residence in Kuvempunagar (Ward No. 57 - Zone 3) is overflowing and repeated attempts to contact the MCC have been exhaustive and of no use.

The Twitter handle is just for name's sake; their WhatsApp complaint numbers don't provide a response, and their e-mail bounces back. When we tried to contact someone from the MCC, we were left to wonder if anyone really uses their office phones.

The newly built office building in Sharadadevinagar, in all its glory, is another space for just recording attendance.

The problem at hand is a serious health hazard and with many senior citizens and young children living in the area, this is one disaster waiting to explode.

By the way, this area is only a few kilometres away from CM Siddaramaiah's residence.

—Nihal N. Nikam
Kuvempunagar
22.5.2026

'Adarsha Amma' award conferred

Anjana Prakash, V. Rukmini, Dr. K.V. Lakshmidevi and Parvathamma, who were presented with 'Adarsha Amma' award, as part of Mother's Day celebrations organised by the District Kannada Sahitya Parishat and Sneha Sinchana Trust, Mysuru, at Vijaya Vittala Vidyashala in Saraswathipuram yesterday, are seen with social worker Dr. Pushpa Iyengar, social worker K. Raghuram Vajpayee, Karnataka Sugama Sangeetha Parishat Mysuru President Dr. Nagaraj V. Bairy, Mysuru District Kannada Sahitya Parishat President Maddikere Gopal, Satsang propagator Sumathi Subramanya, Sneha Sinchana Trust President M.N. Latha Mohan and others.

Konkani writer Vally Vagga's book 'Vinchnar Kaaniyo' released

Mangaluru, May 25- A distinguished gathering of writers, poets and literary enthusiasts witnessed the release of 'Vinchnar Kaaniyo' (Selected Stories), the latest collection by veteran Konkani writer Vally Vagga of Mysuru (Valerian D'Souza of Nirkan — Vagga, popularly known by his pen name). The event was held at the St. Aloysius Sahodaya auditorium in Mangaluru recently.

Speaking at the function, Melvyn Rodrigues, poet and convener of the Konkani Advisory Board of the Sahitya Akademi, New Delhi said, "When I began writing in Konkani, Vally Vagga was already active and even today he continues with remarkable consistency."

"To us younger writers, he is not only an elder brother but also a unifier — someone who bridges differences among Konkani authors and strengthens relationships. His six decades of dedicated literary service deserve the highest respect," he said.

Rodrigues further noted that accuracy, brevity, and conciseness are the ABC of storytelling, adding that these qualities shine through in Vally Vagga's works.

H.M. Pernal, Sahitya Akademi Award-winning writer, who introduced the book, highlighted that since beginning his literary journey in 1964, Vally Vagga has written extensively in both Konkani and Kannada.

Pernal observed that the author's stories consistently champion marginalised voices and affirm the value of life. He remarked that stories written across three decades — 1966, 1996 and 2026 — stand as a testimony to their timeless relevance.

The programme began with a welcome address by Libera D'Souza, followed by a vote of thanks from the author himself. His son, Loy D'Souza, was present. The event was compered by poet Titus Noronha.

Bharatiya Jain Sanghatana holds 'Career Compass' workshop for students

Mysuru, May 25- Over 40 students from Grade 9 to 12 participated in the 'Career Compass' workshop organised under the aegis of Bharatiya Jain Sanghatana (BJS), Mysore Chapter, in city recently.

Chief Speaker N. Ravi Shankar, CEO - Aim High Consulting, stated in his address that "Career building is a continuous process based on self-awareness, planning and constant learning."

He added, "A successful career not only provides financial stability but also offers personal satisfaction and an opportunity to contribute to society."

Shankar shared the following key principles for career growth:

Self-Assessment: Understand your interests, skills, talent and personality. Identify what you love doing and what your strengths are.

Smart Goals: Research industries and jobs based on your abilities. Set SMART goals for your career and create a plan to achieve them.

Skill Development: Beyond formal education, develop practical skills like communication and teamwork. Gain field experience through internships or volunteering.

Networking: Connect with professionals in your field and seek guidance from mentors. Use platforms like LinkedIn to stay updated on new opportunities.

Adaptability: The career path is not linear; change is possible. Stay flexible and adapt yourself to changing market trends.

Continuous Learning: Acquiring new technologies and knowledge is essential to stay relevant and progress in your career.

Positive Attitude: Patience, hard work and a positive mindset are essential for success.

The workshop commenced with Manglacharan. Vice-President Kushal Palrecha chaired the programme. Ladies Wing Chairperson Sharmila Dhoka introduced the guests. Project Director Koushik Jain proposed the vote of thanks.

Present on the occasion were BJS Past President Praveen Lunkar, Vice-Presidents Nemichand Barola & Sunil Patwa, Chief Secretaries Deepak Bohra & Rajendra Desarla, Secretary Navratanmal Pitliya, Member Yeshwant Mutha, Ladies Wing Vice-President Santosh Salecha, Chief Secretary Seema Bohra, among other dignitaries.

MBCT's new team installed

The new team of Mysore Builders' Charitable Trust (MBCT) was installed recently at a ceremony held at Ursu Gymkhana Club. N. Subramanya was installed as the Managing Trustee, B.S. Dinesh as Hon. Secretary and R. Raghunath as Hon. Treasurer. MBCT, formed in 2004, has its own building with auditorium and other amenities, in Vishveshwaranagar. The Trust has a number of noble objectives including training programmes for Masons, Fabricators, Plumbers, Painters and other artisans connected with the construction industry in addition to creating social awareness on several public issues.

NEWS BRIEFS

AGM of MDJA

The Annual General Body Meeting (AGM) of Mysuru District Journalists Association (MDJA) for the years 2023-24 and 2024-25 will be held at Rani Bahadur Auditorium in Manasagangothri, Hunsur Road, on May 30 at 11 am.

Awareness on Income Tax Act

The Mysore Division Tax Practitioners Association along with Income Tax Department is conducting an awareness programme on Income Tax Act 2025 tomorrow (May 26) at 3 pm at Chamundi Conference Hall, 3rd Floor, Income Tax Department, Aayakar Bhavan, Mysuru. Interested tax professionals may call Mob: 98447-17665 or 94487-83218 to register by 10 pm today.

Free hostel

T.S. Subbanna Sarvajanika Hostel at Vidyaranyapuram in city has invited applications from Pre-Matric boys for admission to the hostel. Boy students studying in 5th to 10th standards can apply before June 8. For details, contact Mob: 99644-76167 or 99456-15028.

Ayurveda camp

JSS Ayurveda Hospital, Lalithadripura Road, Alanahalli, Mysuru is conducting a chronic kidney disease camp from May 22 to 29. For details, contact Ph: 0821-2548231 or Mob: 79072-56203.

Ph.D awardees

R. Sheethal has been awarded Ph.D in Commerce by the University of Mysore (UoM) for her thesis 'Cost and Price Dynamics of Turmeric in Karnataka - A Study' submitted under the guidance of Dr. N. Nagaraja.

P. Dorothy has been awarded Ph.D in Botany by the UoM for her thesis 'Phytochemical Screening and Isolation of Bioactive Compounds from *Madhuca bourdillonii* (Gamble) H.J. Lam' submitted under the guidance of Dr. M.K. Mahesh.

P. Chandrashekar has been awarded Ph.D in Computer Science by the UoM for his thesis 'A Novel Approach for detection and Classification of Steel Rods Using Soft Computing Techniques' submitted under the guidance of Dr. G.N.K. Suresh Babu.

Beyond Policing in Chamarajanagar...

Aasare shields 667 seniors from fraud, neglect, crime

Mysuru, May 25 (GA&BCT)- Blending Policing and compassion to achieve humane results, the Chamarajanagar District Police have launched an initiative aimed at reassuring senior citizens that the Police are not a source of fear, but dependable allies in times of need.

Implemented under the Karnataka State Police Department's community Policing programme 'Aasare,' the initiative focuses on extending protection, dignity and emotional support to elderly residents, many of whom live alone without family care.

Police across the district have identified 667 senior citizens, individuals, as well as elderly couples, who lack support from children or relatives. As part of routine patrols, officers now visit these homes regularly, interact with the residents, listen to their grievances and help resolve long-pending issues.

Not isolated anymore

The initiative has brought comfort and reassurance to many elderly residents who had been living in isolation for years.

Though Chamarajanagar is known for its rich cultural traditions, the district has witnessed large-scale migration of younger generations to cities such as Mysuru, Bengaluru and neighbouring parts of Tamil Nadu in search of employment. As a result, many aged parents have been left behind to fend for themselves.

Police officials said, elderly residents living alone had increasingly become easy targets for burglars, fraudsters and land sharks.

Criminals often assumed that senior citizens, weakened by age and poor health, would be unable to resist or identify offenders.

Cases of cheating have also surfaced where fraudsters manipulated elderly persons into signing property documents, wills or pension-related papers under false pretences.

Regular visits, daily necessities

To tackle the issue, Police patrol teams have prepared detailed lists of vulnerable households and conduct regular visits as part of the 'Aasare' programme. Officials said that the increased Police presence has helped deter thefts and fraud.

Beyond security, officers have also been assisting senior citizens with daily necessities, including arranging gas cylinder deliveries, helping with bank work, securing ration supplies and facilitating Panchayat-related documentation.

In one notable instance under the Chamarajanagar East Police Station limits, patrol staff contributed nearly Rs. 30,000 from their own pockets to restore electricity to the house of an elderly man who had been living without power for years.

Chamarajanagar Superintendent of Police M. Muthuraju told *Star of Mysore* that the initiative was being implemented under the directions of the Director General and Inspector General of Police (DG&IGP).

"Every day, officers monitor all 667 households and submit reports. The programme has received a positive response from the public and incidents of theft and fraud targeting senior citizens have reduced considerably," he said.

What began as a community Policing initiative has now evolved into a support system for many elderly residents, with Police personnel increasingly seen not just as enforcers of law, but as caregivers and protectors.

Fake lawyer in matrimonial fraud

Absconding accused releases video, denies dowry charges

Pradeep

Mysuru, May 25 (VVH&BCT)- The prime accused in the matrimonial fraud case, J. Pradeep Solomon of Sathagalli, who remains absconding, has released a video from an undisclosed location claiming that he is being targeted for "political gain" and "personal publicity."

Solomon allegedly posed as a successful Lawyer and created fake profiles on matrimonial websites under the name 'Dr. J. Pradeep Solomon,' claiming to hold advanced qualifications, including a Doctorate and promising a future career as a Judge.

In the video, Solomon alleged that the complainant, a businessman from Bengaluru, had voluntarily offered gold, a car and an apartment during marriage negotiations for their daughter.

He claimed that he had refused such offers, insisting that he would marry only within his means. He further accused the complainant of falsely alleging that he had demanded Rs. 10 lakh, forcing them to call off the marriage.

Investigations revealed that Solomon had rented a lavish bungalow in DTS Rao Layout, Sathagalli 'B' Block and had also opened a Lawyer and Notary office in the basement of a building near the Sathagalli KSRTC Depot on Ring Road.

Police suspect that Solomon's mother, Kalavathi, was also involved in the alleged fraud. The duo is accused of luring victims with promises of marriage, wealth and financial security.

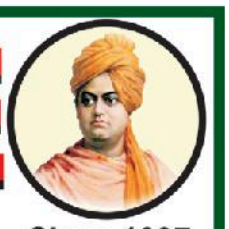
The Adugodi Police in Bengaluru have launched a search operation to trace the absconding mother and son.

In the video, Solomon maintained that he had never discussed dowry or made any demands, claiming that the offers were made voluntarily by the complainant. He alleged that the subsequent dowry harassment complaint was filed after he declined the offers. He also stated that he had submitted a petition to the Mysuru City Police Commissioner regarding the issue.

Responding to the video, the Bengaluru-based businessman who had earlier finalised his daughter's marriage with Solomon before cancelling it after the alleged fraud surfaced, told *Star of Mysore* that all of Solomon's demands were clearly documented in the FIR.

Dismissing Solomon's claims as baseless, the businessman said, they possess original records relating to the alleged fraud and dowry demands, which would be produced before the Court. He added that the case would be pursued legally and all allegations answered in the Court of Law.

DINESH COACHING CENTRE



vidya dadati vinayam

Since 1997

29 Years of Excellence

TUTOR: **N.V. DINESH** M.Sc., M.Ed.

445, "Bharathi Krupa", Maruthi Temple Road, 1st Cross, Kuvempunagara, Mysuru.
Ph: 2342029 / 2977029 Mob: 83101-24304 / 86188-98929

Hearty Congratulations on your achievements in 10th Standard Exams

Achievers of 10th SSLC 2025-26 — 29th year batch

STATE 2nd TOPPER

MANASWINI PRADEEP

624/625

SHAMITH G RAO 622

CHINMAYA D 621

PRANATHI M N 620

VINDHYA V 620

SHREYA M 618

SHRIVIBHA T S 617

CHINMAY S 617

SAHITYA 616

THANMAYEE R 616

SANJANA P 616

NIDHI M 615

KEERTHANA M P 615

YUKTHA B N 615

ANUSHREE R 615

YASHASWINI R 614

THANISHKA K 614

ABHIJNA D S 613

CHIRAN VARDHAN 613

GAYAK RAJE URS 613

SINCHANA A 612

DHANYATHA M S 612

RAHUL N V 611

CHANDAK GOWDA 609

VISHNU DATTA N L 609

"Quality Education to 8th, 9th, 10th STATE & CBSE"

ONLINE & OFFLINE

SIRI S RAO 608

ZIKRA SULTANA 606

SRI RATHAN S 606

DHISHA MAHESH 605

SWAGATH K S 603

HARSHA C 603

SINCHANA V 603

SUDHIKSHA P R 603

SHREEVIDYA G 602

DAYANA M S 602

YASHIKA S SHETTY 601

BHUVAN D 601

AADITHYA KASHYAP M 601

NIREEKSHA 600

KUSUMA H 600

ABHISHEK P S 600

PURANJAYA K 600

NO BRANCHES

Achievers of 10th CBSE 2025-26 — 7th year batch

CBSE TOPPER

SHRAVANI M. L.

96.60%

SHREYAS P 96.0%

VENIKA P 95.4%

ISHTARTH 95.2%

GUNAVANTHA B A 95.0%

ADRIKA VIVEK 94.2%

TRISHA S 92.6%

GAYANA V 92.6%

SHRAAVYA B MACHAIAH 92.2%

VIHAAN U 92.0%

PRAGATHI TUPSUNDAR 91.2%

SHUBHADA H S 91.2%

ROSHAN JOGI G 90.6%

YASH J 90.6%

RESHMASHREE C 90.6%

JEEVITHA C. 90.4%

PRADYUMNA ACHARYA 90.2%

RUTHVIK H 89.8%

SEONA R 89.6%

VISHWAS K M 88.6%

VIKRAM V 88.4%

SUSHANTH RAJ K.P. 88.2%

SAATHVIK GOWDA 88.2%

THEJAS ATHREYA 88.2%

AKUL S 87.8%

KSHETRAPAL J B 87.6%

NIHAL A 87.4%

MANISH M 87.4%

BHUSHAN KUMAR 87.4%

MOHITH S. 87.2%

HRISHIKA S 87.0%

AISHWARYA S 87.0%

PUJA K 87.0%

ANKITHA S 86.6%

RISHITH B 86.4%

LAVANYA K L 86.2%

VAISHNAVI R 85.6%

SANJAY M S 85.4%

Yoga and breast-feeding classes at SiriCaree IVF Centre

Mysuru, May 25 (MK&VNS)- SiriCaree IVF Centre conducted pre-natal and post-natal yoga and breast-feeding classes at Gopala Gowda Shanthaveri Memorial Hospital auditorium in Nazarbad here this morning.

Yoga Therapist Vidyalakshmi conducted yoga classes for over 30 mothers and expectant mothers by teaching them simple yogasanas to enhance their health.

Speaking on the occasion, Cardiologist Dr. J. Veenu said, "At the time of pregnancy, concentration is only on health of the child and not the mother. In this regard, conducting such programmes will help in creating awareness on maintaining health during pre-natal and post-natal period."

"Pregnant women with heart ailments must take care of their health. It is also important to stay active during pregnancy and every one must cultivate a habit of exercising since childhood," she added.

Stating that obesity can lead to diabetes and blood pressure, Dr. Veenu said that having nutritious and healthy food should be given utmost importance.

Gopala Gowda Shanthaveri Memorial Hospital Managing Director Rekha Murthy, SiriCaree IVF Centre Managing Director and Chief ART Specialist Dr. C.V. Shilpa, Paediatrician Dr. Shivakumar, Dietician Chandan and others were present on the occasion.

UGD pipeline laying works around JC Wadiyar Circle

Ahead of the white-topping works, the Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) has begun laying of new UGD pipelines on roads around Jayachamaraja (JC) Wadiyar Circle (previously Hardinge Circle) in city since Saturday. The works have been taken up now to prevent road digging in future once white-topping is completed. The authorities have also diverted the traffic around the busy Circle where six Roads meet. At present, white-topping works are underway on Manandavadi Road and Bogadi Road as part of the ongoing development of 12 major roads in Mysuru under a Rs. 393.85-crore Public Works Department (PWD) project.

Man loses Rs. 63 lakh

(Continued from page 1)

On Mar. 10, Mahesh invested Rs. 1 lakh and subsequently received a call from a person claiming to be from customer care, confirming the investment.

Trusting the scheme, Mahesh continued investing money between Mar. 11 and May 8, transferring a total of Rs. 62,56,938.

When he later attempted to withdraw the profits, he was reportedly asked to contact a customer care number +918124969685 and was told to pay 7.7 percent tax in order to receive the returns.

Suspecting fraud, Mahesh contacted Cyber Crime helpline 1930 and lodged a complaint. City's CEN Police have registered a case and investigating.

Rs. 37 lakh supari plot busted; 7 arrested

(Continued from page 1)

Praveen sustained serious injuries to his hand and later lodged a complaint at Periyapatna Police Station, following which a case was registered.

During the course of the investigation, the Police found that another attempt had been made on Praveen's life on Apr. 21.

According to the Mysuru SP, accused Soude Raju and one Mahalingu tried to run over Praveen after ramming his motorcycle with a car near a lake at Hittanahalli village on the National Highway. Another case was subsequently registered.

Uncle named in complaint

Praveen had specifically named his uncle, Soude Raju, in his complaint and expressed suspicion over his involvement in the attempts on his life.

During questioning, Praveen told the Police that the dispute revolved around 11 acres of land worth several crores of rupees.

He stated that residential sites had already been formed on the property and alleged that Soude Raju feared financial loss if Praveen, his sister's son, claimed a share in the land.

Taking the case seriously, the Police formed a special investigation team led by Hunsur Sub-Division Dy.SP Ravi.

The team comprised Periyapatna Inspector M.V. Govindaraju, Bylakuppe Inspector M.K. Deepak, Periyapatna Sub-Inspector B.H. Jagadish, Bettadapura Sub-Inspector D.N. Ajay Kumar and Bylakuppe Sub-Inspector Ravikumar.

During interrogation, investigators learnt that Soude Raju had paid a Rs. 7 lakh supari to one Shafi of Sullia in Dakshina Kannada district to kill Praveen Kumar, who is the son of his younger sister, in connection with the property dispute.

Shafi confessed to causing the road accident in an attempt to eliminate Praveen.

Police arrested Soude Raju and Shafi on May 22 and remanded them to judicial custody. Four mobile phones and a 'Xylo' car were seized from the arrested persons.

Rs. 30 lakh additional supari

After obtaining the Court's permission, investigators took Soude Raju into Police custody for further questioning. During interrogation, he allegedly revealed that he had actually offered a separate supari of Rs. 30 lakh to Mir Hussain Ali of Shivappa Layout in Periyapatna to eliminate Praveen Kumar.

Police then detained Mir Hussain Ali, who confessed to having approached Hunsur rowdy-sheeter Nayaz Ahmed. The two are said to have hired Mysuru-based rowdy-sheeters Habid Pasha, Ayaz Pasha and Aminulla to execute the murder plan.

The three accused were subsequently taken into custody and reportedly confessed to attacking Praveen Kumar on Apr. 13.

Based on information provided by the accused, the Police seized a long machete allegedly used in the crime, four mobile phones, Rs. 10,000 cash, a black Pulsar 220 CC motorcycle and a car.

A notorious rowdy-sheeter

Police said Habid Pasha is a notorious rowdy-sheeter with 12 criminal cases registered against him, including six murder cases.

He is also accused in several major criminal cases, including the Udayagiri Raju murder case, the Hunsur double murder case, the Udayagiri Munni murder case, the Shashikumar murder case, the attempt on MLA Tanveer Sait's life, the Giridhar attempted murder case and the Judge Shanthiprasad attempted murder case in Moodabidri.

The operation was carried out under the guidance of Dy.SP Ravi by Inspectors Govindaraju and Deepak, Sub-Inspectors Jagadish, Ravikumar and Ajay Kumar, along with Police personnel Lingarajappa, K.H. Madhukumar, Ravish, Prabhakar, N.T. Mahadeva, Basavaraju, Rudresh, Suresh, Eranna, Puneeth, Annaiah, Mohin, Yalagoda and Technical Wing ASI Vasanth Kumar.

Toll evasion on Mysuru-Bengaluru Highway

NHAI, Cops to act against erring motorists

Police to keep vigil during peak hours, NHAI to deploy 14 staff at 14 entry / exit points

Pic. 1: ***The KSRTC bus that was caught entering the Mysuru-Bengaluru Highway through an exit near Bidadi, violating rules;*** *Pic. 2:* ***A car is seen entering through an exit as another vehicle exiting the Highway near Bidadi;*** *Pic. 3:* ***Another violation caught on camera.***

Mysuru, May 25 (AG&BCT)- The National Highways Authority of India (NHAI) and the Police Department are set to launch a joint crackdown on motorists illegally entering and exiting the main carriageway of the Mysuru-Bengaluru National Highway-275 to evade toll charges.

The practice, apart from causing revenue loss, has emerged as a major safety concern on the access-controlled Highway, where vehicles travel at speeds of 80 kmph to 100 kmph. Officials said, sudden entry and exit movements from service roads onto the main carriageway significantly increase the risk of accidents.

While the Police Department has decided to intensify penalties during peak traffic hours, when violations are most frequent, the NHAI will deploy a dedicated 14-member team to monitor illegal access points along the Highway.

Incidentally, on May 24, a KSRTC bus (KA 11 F 0464) was filmed entering the Highway through an exit route. A commuter recorded the violation on video and uploaded it to X. In response to the complaint, KSRTC stated that the matter has been forwarded to the concerned Division for appropriate action.

Officials identified more than 14 key entry and exit points along the 119-km corridor where motorists bypass toll plazas at Sheshagirihalli and Kaniminike near Bidadi, as well as the Gananguru toll plaza near Srirangapatna.

The easy connectivity between the service roads and the Highway near Ramanagara, Mandya, Maddur, Channapatna and Srirangapatna has made toll evasion increasingly common.

DIG initiative

The joint enforcement drive follows a directive issued by Deputy Inspector General of Police and Commissioner for Traffic and Road Safety K. Parashuram to Highway patrol units in Ramanagara, Maddur, Mandya and Srirangapatna, instructing them to strictly penalise motorists violating one-way traffic rules (entering through exits and exiting through entries).

Earlier, the NHAI had installed concrete barricades at several access points on both the service roads and the main carriageway to prevent motorists from avoiding toll plazas. However, officials said that violators continue to exploit gaps between the barricades to gain illegal access.

The issue has persisted for months, with commuters routinely entering the high-speed corridor through exit ramps to bypass toll booths or take shortcuts. The violations are particularly rampant near Ramanagara and beyond the Gananguru toll plaza, where long uninterrupted stretches make illegal re-entry easier.

Areas of violation

According to NHAI sources, several Bengaluru-bound motorists exit near Lakshmisagara or Bidadi before reaching the Sheshagirihalli toll plaza, use the service roads and later re-enter the Highway through exit ramps, unofficial openings or by driving in the wrong direction.

Similar violations have also been reported near Hanumanthnagar and Hosadoddi, enabling motorists to bypass the Kaniminike toll stretch. In some cases, vehicles travel unchecked for nearly 70 kilometres, with Gananguru near Srirangapatna emerging as another major hotspot.

Authorities had initially explored the option of installing additional physical barricades, but the proposal was dropped due to concerns over congestion on service roads. Officials also noted that temporary barricades could easily be damaged or removed by heavy vehicles during night hours.

Instead, the NHAI has decided to rely on manpower deployment — 14 personnel will be stationed at 14 vulnerable entry and exit junctions, operating from counter-style booths to physically prevent illegal access to the carriageway.

Given staffing constraints in jurisdictional Police wings, enforcement will be carried out dynamically, with a special focus on weekends and peak traffic hours when violations spike.

Man ends life

Mysuru, May 25 (MK&KS)- A man, aged between 45 and 50 years, reportedly ended his life by falling under the moving train near Metagalli yesterday.

The deceased has been identified as Somashekar, a native of Anantapur in Andhra Pradesh. Railway Police, who reached the spot, conducted mahazar and shifted the body to MMC&RI mortuary besides registering a case.

Land dispute: FIR against seven for alleged assault

Mysuru, May 25 (PM&KS)- Jayapura Police have registered a case against seven persons, including former Chairman of erstwhile MUDA (Mysuru Urban Development Authority) H.V. Rajeev, following allegations of assault and criminal trespass linked to a land dispute at K. Salundi village in Jayapura hobli.

The complaint was lodged by Chikkegowda, a resident of K. Salundi village, who alleged that Rajeev's associates assaulted him and his son Chandrashekar over ownership of a piece of land. Based on the complaint, Jayapura Police have registered an FIR.

According to the complaint, Chikkegowda's father, late Sannamarigowda, owned 2 acres and 32 guntas of land in Survey No. 103/2 at Ballahalli village. Out of this, 1 acre and 31 guntas had been given to Aditya Birla International School.

Chikkegowda alleged that the remaining portion of the land was later transferred in the name of one B.N. Narayana without the family's knowledge, following which a civil dispute was filed in the Court. He maintained that his family has owned the land for decades. He further stated that stone pillars had recently been erected around the property for fencing purposes.

Claims, counter-claims

In the complaint, Chikkegowda alleged that on Sunday at around 10.30 am, while he and his son Chandrashekar were working on the land, a group, comprising Ashokapuram residents Anju, Ananthnag, 'Trishula' Munna, Shankar, 'Lighting' Kumar and Adarsh, allegedly entered the property claiming to be Rajeev's associates.

The accused allegedly abused Chikkegowda and his son in foul language and warned them to vacate the land, claiming that it belonged to their 'boss.'

Chikkegowda further alleged that Anju assaulted him by head-butting and physically attacking him. When Chandrashekar intervened to rescue his father, Anju and 'Trishula' Munna allegedly assaulted him with stones.

The complaint also states that the accused damaged the stone pillars erected for fencing and pushed Chandrashekar into a nearby drain when he tried to stop them from destroying the structures.

Hearing Chikkegowda's cries for help, villagers, including Chikkanna and some of his relatives, rushed to the spot.

On seeing residents gathering, the accused allegedly threatened the complainant with dire consequences and fled the scene.

'Investigation underway'

An FIR was registered at Jayapura Police Station yesterday following a complaint alleging assault by a group acting with the support of H.V. Rajeev. Investigation is underway.

—Mallikarjun Baladandi
Superintendent of Police, Mysuru district

'Not aware of the matter'

I am not aware of the issue. I will gather details and issue a clarification.

—H.V. Rajeev
Former Chairman, MUDA

House help burgles owner's house

Mysuru, May 25 (GA&KS)- A house help has reportedly burgled cash and gold jewellery from the house of her owner, a senior citizen, in Lashkar Police limits in city.

The theft took place at the house of 80-year-old Syed Rahat Jan, a retired teacher and the accused house help is Fathima, a resident of Kalyangiri in city.

Rahat Jan, who was suffering from age-related illness, had appointed Fathima as a house help for a salary of Rs. 6,000 and had paid Rs. 5,000 as advance to her, it is learnt.

On May 5, Rahat Jan took Fathima to a bank and withdrew Rs. 25,000 cash from the account and also took gold jewellery worth Rs. 5 lakh which was kept in the bank locker.

After returning home, Rahat Jan kept the jewellery and cash in the almirah and kept the almirah keys under her pillow. Fathima knew about the place where Rahat Jan used to keep the keys of the almirah.

From May 2 to 9, Fathima is said to have opened the almirah two to three times and when Rahat Jan questioned Fathima about it, she is said to have told Rahat Jan that she had opened the almirah for cleaning.

Later, when Rahat Jan found the cash and jewellery missing from the almirah, a complaint was immediately lodged at Lashkar Police Station.

Lashkar Police, who have registered a case, are investigating and are on a look out for Fathima, who is absconding.

Vintage Vignettes
... from a Princely State

By R.G. Singh
Secretary, Ramsons Kala Pratishtana

H.H. Maharaja Jayachamaraja Wadiyar was well-known for his marksmanship and was highly sought after by his subjects whenever a rogue elephant or a man-eating tiger attacked their immediate surroundings.

There are many wildlife trophies attributed to him in the Palace collections."

— Excerpt from the booklet — 100 — Birth Centenary Tribute 2019.

In this undated photograph, in an unidentified location, the young Maharaja is seen riding atop an elephant clutching a gun on a hunting expedition. A diamond ear stud sparkles in his earlobe. The casual demeanour of the young royal is endearing in this discreet shot. A fixed mount, used for taking a steady aim, is visible in front of him. Forest officer Mr. Neelakanta Rao can be seen holding a double barrel gun in his left hand and seems to be giving instructions. The other gentleman and the mahout remain unidentified. Two gentlemen and the Maharaja are sporting French pith helmet hats which was a European addition to the traditional Shikar while the mahout sports a turban.

Later in life, the Maharaja was chosen to head the Indian Board for Wild Life (IBWL) which was established in 1952 to advice the Government of India on wildlife conservation, prevent the extinction of species and promote wildlife awareness. It was renamed Central Board for Wild Life during its first meeting held at Lalitha Mahal Palace in November 1952. It was and is an advisory board chaired by the Prime Minister. Since 2003, it is called as the National Board for Wild Life. H.H. was chosen to head this advisory board for his and his predecessors' extensive conservation record in the then Mysore State.

[Collection: Ramsons Kala Pratishtana; Size: 27x18 cms]

Wadiyar-era bus shelter sports new look

N. Raghavan of Raghulal and Co. restores nearly century-old bus shelter in front of K.R. Hospital

Mysuru, May 25 (GA,BS&VNS)- Mysuru-Kodagu MP Yaduveer Krishnadatta Chamaraja Wadiyar inaugurated the nearly 100-year-old renovated bus stop located near K.R. Hospital on Irwin Road this morning.

The bus stop was renovated by pharmacist-philanthropist N. Raghavan of Raghulal & Co., restoring the lost pride and glory associated with the princely era structure.

The uniquely designed bus shelter, with a replica of Gandabherunda, the emblem of erstwhile Mysore Royal Family, adorning the top, was constructed in front of K.R. Hospital on Irwin Road in the year 1927.

After Historian Dharmendra Kumar shared a piece of video information about this bus shelter in a dilapidated condition, on his social networking account, N. Raghavan, Proprietor of Raghulal & Co., contacted the former, with a ready assurance to renovate the structure.

Speaking to *Star of Mysore,* Raghavan said, he has done his mite, in restoring the bus shelter, as many of his customers, visit K.R. Hospital for treatment.

"We are indebted to the Maharajas of Mysore and K.R. Hospital built by them, which prompted me to take up this task, as a due respect to the Maharaja," said Raghavan.

Historian Dharmendra, former Corporator Snake Shyam and others were present on the occasion.

PIC.1: ***The nearly 100-year-old bus stop near K.R. Hospital on Irwin Road, which was renovated by pharmacist-philanthropist N. Raghavan of Raghulal & Co. and dedicated to public this morning.***

PIC.2: ***Mysuru-Kodagu MP Yaduveer Wadiyar, who inaugurated the renovated bus stop near K.R. Hospital this morning, seen with pharmacist-philanthropist N. Raghavan, Historian Dharmendra Kumar, former Corporator Snake Shyam and others at the shelter.***

Suttur Seer inaugurates Sri Ganapathy Swamiji's 84th birthday celebrations

Suttur Seer Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji releasing two books during the inauguration of the 84th birthday celebrations of Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Swamiji at the Ganapathy Ashram on Nanjangud Road yesterday as Sri Ganapathy Swamiji, Junior Pontiff Sri Datta Vijayananda Teertha Swamiji and others look on. Picture right shows Ganapathy Homa being performed on the occasion.

Mysuru, May 25 (MTY&DM)- Suttur Seer Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji said that Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Ashram is home to a blend of science and knowledge that is available to the entire world.

He was speaking after inaugurating the 84th birthday celebrations of Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Swamiji and 27th Brahmotsava of Sri Datta Venkateshwara Kshetra at Ganapathy Ashram on Nanjangud Road here yesterday. Maintaining that Vedanta is the science of personality development, Sri Deshikendra Swamiji said, while Vedanta attempts to explore the truth through inner knowledge and spirituality, science explores the outer world through experiments and evidences. However, these two are supplemental to each other, he noted.

Pointing out that Vedanta is the ultimate knowledge, he said that the Ashram incorporates such knowledge and science. Sri Ganapathy Swamiji has poignantly explained on how to inculcate them in our lives, he pointed out.

Stating that the fame of Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Ashram has extended to the world, Sri Deshikendra Swamiji said that Ganapathy Swamiji is being revered throughout the world for spreading humanity, knowledge and spirituality.

He lauded the Ashram for conducting many activities such as homa, special pujas, music, aid distribution, etc., as part of the Swamiji's birthday celebrations.

Writer Ashwathnarayan's work 'Dattavatari Muktaka Piyusha' and the Tamil translated work of Sri Ganapathy Swamiji's English book 'Secret for Success' were released on the occasion.

Earlier, the celebrations began with Ganapathy Homa following which other religious events such as Sheshavahana Utsava and Brahmotsava were held. Also, Datta Kriya Yoga classes and Music Therapy, featuring music composed by Sri Ganapathy Swamiji, were held for devotees.

Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Swamiji, Junior Pontiff Junior Pontiff Sri Datta Vijayananda Teertha Swamiji and others were present.

K.S. Prakash elected as City President of Veerashaiva-Lingayat Mahasabha

K.S. Prakash

Mysuru, May 25 (SPN&DM)- K.S. Prakash was elected as the President of Mysuru city Unit of Akhila Bharat Veerashaiva-Lingayat Mahasabha, in the elections held yesterday.

K.S. Prakash, who secured 1,088 votes, defeated his rivals S.R. Shivakumar (178 votes) and S. Shivakumar (74 votes) in the polls held yesterday at Hardwicke High School premises on JLB Road here.

Only 1,375 out of the 3,137 voters had cast their votes in the elections that was held from 8 am to 4 pm, recording a poll percentage of 43 percent. The polls were also held for election of 20 Directors, for which 28 candidates contested and as well as for 10 seats of Women Directors.

Those who were elected as Directors are: H.N. Kishore Kumar (980 votes), P.G. Mahadevaswamy (979), K.V. Gowrishankaraswamy (964), S.M. Suresh (961), M.S. Arun (956), B.R. Shivakumar (944), M. Nagendramurthy (937), Pratidhwani Prasad (933), N. Mahesh (932), N. Srikantamurthy (926), G.M. Panchakshari (910), P. Gowrishankarswamy (901), C.R. Virupaksha (892), J.P. Ningaraju (888), T.R. Harishkumar (859), B.C. Shadakshariswamy (830), G.C. Suresh (809), Shivamurthy (808), P.S. Srikantaswamy (808) and Shashikiran (803).

Ten Women Directors elected unopposed are: B.S. Usha, Chandrakala, B.P. Padmavathi, M.C. Vanajakshi, A.G. Bhavani, M.S. Bharathi, M.S. Sushmitha, D. Shanta, T. Shilpa and Shivamma. S. Jagadamba & Pushpa Samshi, who were also in the fray earlier, withdrew their candidature.

Speaking after getting elected as the Mysuru City President, K.S. Prakash said that he was fully confident of victory. Outlining his plans, Prakash said that funds will be raised for construction of Basava Bhavan on Dr. Rajkumar Road, intensification of door-to-door membership drive of the community, presentation of Pratibha Puraskar to meritorious children, organisation of job fairs and skill development programmes, among other initiatives.

K.S. Prakash, the newly elected Mysuru City Unit President of Akhila Bharat Veerashaiva-Lingayat Mahasabha, is seen with the new Directors of the Mahasabha yesterday.

Elected Mysuru Taluk President

Kaavibasappa

Kaavibasappa of Eeranakoppal was elected as Mysuru Taluk President of Akhila Bharat Veerashaiva-Lingayat Mahasabha in the polls held at Nataraja Kalyanamantapa in Agrahara here yesterday.

Kaavibasappa, who secured 1,045 votes, was declared elected as the Mysuru Taluk President of the Mahasabha. Also, 7 Women Directors were elected unopposed for Mysuru taluk unit — Kamalakshi, Netravathi, G.V. Bharathi, Lalitha, S. Savitha, Sunitha and Shwetharani.

Guest Teachers appointment

Bengaluru, May 25- In a move aimed at overcoming teacher shortage in Government Schools, the Department of School Education and Literacy has issued an official notification for appointment of 51,000 Guest Teachers on a temporary basis at the start of the new academic year itself.

According to the notification, as many as 40,000 teachers will be appointed for Primary Schools and 11,000 for High Schools. However, this recruitment is temporary and will be valid only till the end of 2026-27 academic year.

Pratibha Puraskar

Mysuru, May 25- The Mysuru-Chamarajanagar Jilla Veerashaiva-Lingayat Mathadipatigala Goshti has invited applications from meritorious Veerashaiva-Lingayat community students who have scored high marks in SSLC (2025-26) for presentation of Pratibha Puraskar.

Eligible students can apply at the Goshti office located at JSS Mahavidyapeetha, Dr. Sri Shivarathri Rajendra Circle, Mysuru, before June 30. Also, the Goshti will celebrate the 111th birth anniversary of Sri Shivarathri Rajendra Swamiji at Sri Saleelakhya Mutt, Bettadapura in Periyapatna in September/October. [Mob: 99809-06762 or 94490-30588]

WORD OF THE DAY

Expedite

Pronunciation: EK-spuh-dyte (verb).
Meaning: To expedite something is to cause it to happen faster.
Origin: Need someone to do something in a hurry? You can tell that person to step on it, or you can tell them to expedite it. Figurative feet are involved in both cases, though less obviously in the second choice. Expedite comes from the Latin verb expedire, meaning "to free from entanglement or difficulty." The feet come in at that word's root: it traces back to Latin ped- or pes, meaning "foot." Expedient and expedition also stepped into English by way of expedire.
Example: "The new task force ... is required to submit an initial report in 60 days and final report in 90 days with recommendations to simplify, improve and expedite hiring." —Blake Paterson, NOLA.com (New Orleans, Louisiana), 7 Apr. 2026

THE ODD WORD

Ecuelle

Two-handled soup or porridge bowl.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Elbow grease

Meaning: Energetic labour.
Origin: It has long been said that the best sort of furniture polish is 'elbow-grease', that is, there is no substitute for hard rubbing to create a lustrous shine. The term itself is older than might be imagined and dates back to at least the 17th century when it was used in print by the English metaphysical poet Andrew Marvell in *Rehearsal Transpros'd,* 1672: Two or three brawny Fellows in a Corner, with meer Ink and Elbow-grease, do more Harm than an Hundred systematical Divines with their sweaty Preaching. Marvell was suggesting that, although religious meetings could be disrupted or broken up by the speakers' opponents, printed material could be circulated unhindered. Of course, Marvell was alluding to writing when he used the figurative expression 'elbow-grease'. It was also used later in the same century, as it is used now, just to mean sweat or effort. An example of that usage is found in the 1699 *A New Dictionary of the Terms Ancient and Modern of the Canting Crew:* Elbow-grease, a derisory Term for Sweat.

QUOTE BOX

Try to be a rainbow in someone else's cloud. **—Maya Angelou**

RIDDLE THIS

Solve the rebus:

SEED

Answer: Top seed.

SUDOKU

8			5	3	1			4
		5	9		8	6		
	4	2				7	9	
9								5
	6	8				3	1	
		1	6		2	8		
2			7	4	5			6

Answer to previous puzzle

2	6	7	9	4	3	8	1	5
5	1	4	7	2	8	6	3	9
3	8	9	5	6	1	7	2	4
8	9	6	3	5	4	2	7	1
1	2	5	8	9	7	4	6	3
7	4	3	6	1	2	5	9	8
6	7	8	4	3	9	1	5	2
4	3	2	1	7	5	9	8	6
9	5	1	2	8	6	3	4	7

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

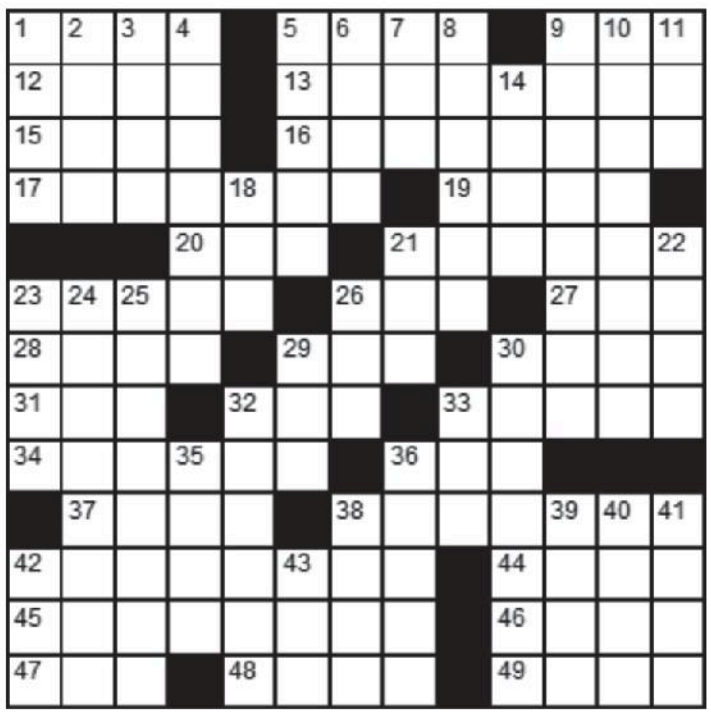
CROSS WORD

ACROSS:
1 Twitches
5 Sailor's call
9 Make lace either way ?
12 Mountain range
13 A geometric curve?
15 India's melody queen
16 Europe, Asia and Africa as against America? (3,5)
17 Disentangle
19 Words of denial (3,1)
20 Small round mark or spot
21 Expose a fraud
23 Drying-cloth
26 Open box for carrying bricks
27 Regional Airline Assoc.
28 Essen valley
29 A __ cry : a long way
30 Shout
31 ___ into : corroded
32 Stallone, familiarly
33 Edge furtively
34 Abundance
36 One of the Three Stooges?
37 Concept
38 Educational certificate
42 Magnifies
44 To let fall
45 Moved unsteadily; vacillated
46 Sports channel
47 ____ up : find the sum of?
48 Display or practice model (abbrev.)
49 It could be sada, masala or mysore

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER

I	D	E	M	■	A	S	C	H	■	P	I	P
L	E	N	A	■	L	A	T	E	■	A	R	E
E	S	S	O	■	A	D	O	P	T	I	O	N
■	P	E	R	S	E	■	■	T	U	R	N	S
M	I	M	I	C	■	■	M	A	T	■	■	■
A	S	B	■	A	G	R	A	■	U	S	T	A
M	E	L	■	B	U	O	Y	S	■	W	A	D
A	D	E	S	■	L	I	O	N	■	I	K	E
■	■	■	P	O	P	■	■	E	A	T	E	N
A	Z	T	E	C	■	■	F	E	T	C	H	■
M	U	R	D	E	R	E	R	■	A	H	O	Y
E	L	E	■	A	I	D	E	■	R	E	M	E
S	U	K	■	N	A	S	T	■	I	D	E	S

DOWN
1 A Dravidian language
2 Persia today
3 Domestic mewers?
4 Spoken calumny
5 On the left side of a ship
6 Auditorium
7 Fort near Monterey
8 Open-mouthedly showed boredom
9 Tormented
10 Considering everything (3,2,3)
11 Little bit
14 Make a mistake!
18 America Online, abbr.
21 Black beetle
22 Kind of cabbage
23 Snare or bait
24 Summarized, synopsized or sketched
25 Persuaded; obtained by flattery etc.
26 Food for cattle
29 Take to the air
30 Surrendered
32 Gazed or ogled
33 Bribe
35 Another word for a bovine animal
36 Make a mistake or go wrong
38 Consider, judge or view
39 Approximately (2,2)
40 Cleaning implements
41 "A nap" anagram for "our own" in Hindi
42 Greek vowel
43 Grad. Rec. Exam.



CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

GDTOT RA CJYCKA DFET FH CV RVURSRUWCJ YDF AGFEA

GF UF AFLT ATORFWA GDRVPRVI CNFWG JRHT.

TODAY'S CLUE: I EQUALS G

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: Better too much confidence than too little.

SINGLE SCREEN THEATRES

Sangam Theatre *Drishyam-3 (K)* - 4 Shows	**Ph: 2520494**
Mahadeshwara Theatre *Karuppu (Ta)* - 4 Shows	**Mob: 99008-20093**
Gayathri Theatre *Lo Naveena (K)* - 4 Shows	**Ph: 2443568**
Lido Theatre *Kotigobba (K)* - 4 Shows	**Ph: 2420885**
Padma Theatre *Drishyam-3 (Ta)* - 4 Shows	**Ph: 2521923**
Woodlands Theatre *Rebel (Ta)* - 4 Show	**Ph: 2422871**
Prabha Theatre *Kuchuku (K)* - 4 Shows	**Mob: 98454-14691**
Rajkamal Theatre *Karuppu (Ta)* - 4 Shows	**Ph: 2423554**
Balaji Theatre *Patriot (Ma)* - 3 Shows	**Mob: 98863-25207**

MOVIES AT DRC CINEMAS Ph: 4240422 4241800

Karuppu (Ta)	(S-1)	10.00 am, 1.05 pm
	(S-3)	6.55 pm
	(S-4)	4.00 pm, 10.15 pm
Chand Mera Dil (H)	(S-1)	4.15 pm, 7.10 pm
	(S-3)	10.00 pm
Drishyam-3 (Ma)	(S-1)	10.00 pm
	(S-4)	9.40 am, 7.00 pm
Star Wars: The Mandalorian and Grogu (E)	(S-2)	10.35 am, 7.10 pm, 10.00 pm
Manga Maaya (K)	(S-2)	1.20 pm
Krishnavataram Part 1 (H)	(S-2)	4.10 pm
Drishyam-3 (K)	(S-3)	1.00 pm
Lo Naveena (K)	(S-3)	10.25 am, 4.15 pm
Michael (E)	(S-4)	1.10 pm

MOVIES AT MYSURU VISION CINEMAS Ph: 2973519

Karuppu (Ta)	:	1.00 pm, 6.35 pm, 9.30 pm
KD: The Devil (K)	:	1.05 pm, 6.30 pm, 9.15 pm
Lo Naveena (K)	:	1.25 pm, 4.05 pm, 7.00 pm
Drishyam-3 (Ma)	:	1.40 pm, 4.40 pm, 7.45 pm, 9.30 pm
Drishyam-3 (K)	:	3.55 pm

MOVIES AT NEXUS MALL

Karuppu (Ta)	:	9.20 am, 10.20 am, 12.30 pm, 3.40 pm, 6.50 pm, 9.50 pm, 10.00 pm
Michael (E)	:	10.00 am, 4.25 pm
Star Wars: The Mandalorian and Grogu (H)	:	10.05 am, 6.50 pm
Star Wars: The Mandalorian and Grogu (E)	:	12.55 pm, 9.40 pm
Chand Mera Dil (H)	:	10.10 am, 1.10 pm, 7.30 pm, 10.40 pm
Drishyam-3 (Ma)	:	10.30 am, 1.30 pm, 4.00 pm, 7.15 pm, 10.30 pm
Drishyam-3 (K)	:	12.45 pm
Lo Naveena (K)	:	1.45 pm, 7.10 pm
Krishnavataram Part 1: The Heart (H)	:	3.45 pm, 10.20 pm
Bhooth Bangla (H)	:	4.05 pm
KD: The Devil (K)	:	4.45 pm
Pati Patni Aur Woh Do (H)	:	7.40 pm

MOVIES AT GARUDA MALL

Chand Mera Dil (H)	:	10.05 am, 1.00 pm, 7.00 pm
Drishyam-3 (Ma)	:	10.05 am, 4.00 pm, 10.30 pm
Drishyam-3 (Ka)	:	1.15 pm, 7.15 pm
Karuppu (Ta)	:	10.05 am, 1.00 pm, 7.00 pm, 10.20 pm
Star Wars: The Mandalorian and Grogu (H)	:	10.10 am, 4.10 pm, 10.10 pm
Lo Naveena (K)	:	1.20 pm, 7.40 pm
KD: The Devil (K)	:	4.00 pm
Veerabhadrudu (Te)	:	4.30 pm, 10.00 pm

'KaVemSri - Geetha Sanje' on May 28

Musical evening dedicated to noted poet Dr. Ka. Vem. Srinivasamurthy

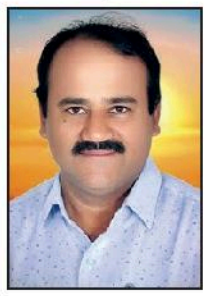
Mysuru, May 25- A grand musical evening titled 'KaVemSri - Geetha Sanje' has been organised under the joint auspices of Karnataka Sugama Sangeetha Parishat, Mysuru District Unit and Sri Anantheswara Trust, Mysuru, at Town Hall in city on May 28 from 5 pm.

The event, dedicated to introducing the rich literary world of renowned poet, thinker and literary achiever Dr. Ka.Vem. Srinivasamurthy (KaVemSri), will be held under the leadership of Dr. Nagaraj V. Bairy, President of Karnataka Sugama Sangeetha Parishat, Mysuru Unit.

Sri Ilai Alwar Swamiji will grace the occasion. The formal inauguration will be done by the honoree himself, Dr. Srinivasamurthy. Dr. Bairy will preside.

MCCI President K.B. Lingaraju will be the chief guest. Mysuru District Kannada Sahitya Parishat President Maddikere Gopal, Journalist Amshi Prasanna Kumar and social worker Raghuram Vajpayee will be the guests of honour.

Led by the accomplished vocalist, Shwetha Dinesh, a talented team of Sugama Sangeetha artistes, comprising Narasimha Murthy, S.V. Erriswamy, H.V. Thirumalesh, Ningaraju, Geetha Lakshmi Kini, Sujatha Jayakumar, Rekha, Padma Rao, Joyce Thomas, S. Shwetha and Nethravathi will render selected bhavageethes and poems penned by Dr. Ka.Vem. Sri.



Dr. Ka.Vem. Srinivasamurthy is a prominent poet and writer who has carved a niche for himself in the field of Kannada literature. Preserving the unique flavour and essence of Kannada language, he has beautifully expressed modern life's struggles, emotions, humanity and social values through his simple yet touching poems.

His literature vividly reflects life philosophies, societal realities and intricacies of human relationships.

Having contributed significantly to Kannada literature, criticism, public speaking and intellectual discourses, his lectures and poetry recitations have won hearts across various literary platforms.

EVENTS TODAY (MAY 25)

- **Sri Avadhoota Datta Peetham - Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Ashram:** Simha Vahana Utsava at Sri Datta Venkateshwara Temple, **5 pm;** Inauguration of 28th Anniversary Festivities of Nada Mantapa, Hindustani Flute Concert by Pt. Rakesh Chaurasia, accompanied by Pt. Anindo Chatterjee on tabla, Ashram premises, Datta Nagar, **7 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (MAY 26)

- **Sri Avadhoota Datta Peetham - Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Ashram:** 84th Birthday of Sri Ganapathy Swamiji, Padmavati Abhisheka, Lakshmi Homa at Sri Datta Venkateshwara Temple, **8 am;** SGS Vidyanidhi Academy & Masters' Institute Events & Inauguration of Sanskrit Education Services, **10 am;** Hanuman Vahana Utsava at Sri Datta Venkateshwara Temple, **5 pm;** Cultural Programme, Ashram premises, Datta Nagar, **7 pm.**
- **Sri Yoganarasimhaswamy Temple, Vijayanagar:** Kumbabhisheka Mahotsava, rituals begins with Sahasra Kalashabhisheka, followed by Soundarya Lahari Parayana by Women's Associations, Temple premises, **9 am.**
- **Ramsons Kala Pratishtana:** Ramsons Kreedaa Kaushalya - 11th biennial of traditional board games of India, Ramsons Bombe Mane, Nazarbad, **10 am to 7 pm.**
- **Karnataka Bhovi Development Corporation:** M. Ramappa, Chairman, Karnataka Bhovi Development Corporation, holds a progress review meeting of the various schemes of the Karnataka Bhovi Development Corporation with the District-level officers, Deputy Commissioner G. Lakshmikanth Reddy presides, Abdul Nazir Sab auditorium, Zilla Panchayat (ZP), **11 am.**
- **Telugu Samskruthika Samithi, Mysuru:** 'An Evening with Samavedam,' divine discourse by Brahmashri Samavedam Shanmukha Sarma, a renowned spiritual luminary, recipient of the Samanvaya Saraswati and Telugu Koyila awards, PD Reddy Telugu Bhavanam, Ramakrishnanagar, **6.30 pm to 8 pm.**

MOVIES AT MALL OF MYSORE

Drishyam-3 (Ma)	:	9.40 am, 6.45 pm, 10.00 pm
Drishyam-3 (Ka)	:	12.15 pm, 3.30 pm
Karuppu (Ta)	:	9.50 am, 1.00 pm, 4.10 pm, 7.20 pm, 10.30 pm
Star Wars: The Mandalorian and Grogu (E)	:	11.05 am, 4.50 pm, 10.20 pm
Chand Mera Dil (H)	:	12.50 pm, 6.55 pm
KD: The Devil (K)	:	1.55 pm
Athiradi (Ma)	:	3.40 pm
Lo Naveena (K)	:	7.40 pm

MOVIES AT CENTRO MALL

Karuppu (Ta)	:	10.00 am, 1.10 pm, 4.00 pm, 7.10 pm
Chand Mera Dil (H)	:	10.20 am, 4.20 pm, 10.20 pm
Lockdown (K)	:	11.30 am
Drishyam-3 (Ma)	:	12.45 pm, 4.00 pm, 7.15 pm, 10.30 pm
Star Wars: The Mandalorian and Grogu (E)	:	1.10 pm, 7.10 pm
Asurana Kaiyalli Parijatha (K)	:	2.15 pm
Manga Maaya (K)	:	4.50 pm
Makkala Sainya (K)	:	7.40 pm
Athiradi (Ma)	:	10.00 pm
Kuchuku (K)	:	10.10 pm

NOTE: Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there is no minimum audience of 15.

IPL 2026
TOMORROW'S MATCH
MAY 26
QUALIFIER 1
RCB Vs GT
HPCA Stadium, Dharamshala, 7.30 pm
YESTERDAY'S RESULTS
DC 203 / 5 (20 Overs)
BEAT
KKR 163 all out (18.4 Overs)
RR 205 / 8 (20 Overs)
BEAT
MI 175 / 9 (20 Overs)
Catch the live telecast on: Star Sports Network & JioHotstar

22 CT GOLD RATE @ Tholasi
THOLASI
₹ 14,610/-
Ashoka Road, Mysuru. Ph: 0821-2521926
Temple Road, V.V. Mohalla, Mysuru. Ph: 0821-2411926
MGS Road, Opp. Bus Stand, Nanjangud Ph: 08221-200926

LALITHA JEWELLERY MART
The Original
Mysuru's Trusted Jeweller
SILVER RATE
SINCE 1956
Rs. 2,80,000/-
Ashoka Road, Mysore
0821-2442797 / 2525891

Dr. Sathya Ranna's®

SHRÉYA HEARING CLINIC

CLARITY IN EVERY WORD NOT JUST SOUND

28

- Bluetooth connectivity
- Invisible & comfortable fit
- Clear noise control
- Crystal-clear speech
- Ai driven hearing AIDs

UPTO 25% OFF

Offer applicable only on Premier products

Are you having trouble following conversations or TV dialogues?
Upgrade to smart hearing devices that suit you.

HOME VISIT +91 9945633115

Free hearing test from 25th to 28th May

Book Free Appointment
WhatsApp +91 99456 33113
(See How it Works)

No 72, D Devraj Urs Road, 1st floor,
Above Bhojayya Silks, Mysuru - 570 001

Tel: +91 0821 2422543 /44 , Mob : 9686445138

Sathya@shreyahearingclinic.com

Centers in Hyderabad, Bangalore & Mangalore

BEST EDUCATION

KIDS ACADEMY
PRE-SCHOOL
SINCE 2008

GIVE YOUR CHILD THE BEST START

AGE- 2 YRS AND ABOVE

Enroll your child in a nurturing preschool focused on growth, safety, fun, and early learning.

- Caring Mentors
- Loving Atmosphere
- Joyful Learning
- Best Education Plans

BIGGEST & BEST PRE-SCHOOL CHAIN IN MYSORE

9980824456 / 9980943616

KUVEMPUNAGAR - Behind Amma Complex
SIDDHARTA LAYOUT - Satya marga
V.V. MOHALLA - KRS Road

PARICHAYA HOLIDAYS

7 DAYS

Vietnam Group Package

All inclusive Package Mysore to Mysore
Service of Experienced Tour Manager

Departure Dates: 21 Jun & 12 July

For Booking call
Srinivas - 95919 55575
Madhu - 98805 04744
Yogesh - 81975 44442

JOB OPPORTUNITY

Training Programme for retired officials, Senior Citizen, Business Professionals (Age 40 years & above) Training will be held on 26.05.2026 at 10.30am to 3pm for 4 days in Sharada Platina 1st floor, opp. Big Clock Tower, Mysore-01. Documents Required.

Contact : 94490 68132

LAND AVAILABLE FOR RENT

Approx 3542 sqft., well suitable for Supermarket/ Warehouse / Godown and also for other purposes. Address: Next to Jaggesh Convention Hall, Vijayanagar 3rd Stage, Mysore. Contact:

9036461253/ 9448128190

SALE

BUY 2 GET 1 FREE | ON ALL ITEMS SHIRTS , JEANS, T SHIRTS

THE PRESIDENT
No. 38, D. Devaraj Urs Road, (Near Anjaneya Temple), Mysore

We undertake all types of Civil Works, Residential, Commercial & Industrial Constructions.
Residential building at
Rs. 2150/- sq.ft.,*

Call : 82966 98852

SITE FOR SALE

MUDA APPROVED
40x48 ft, W/F site
at just **Rs.49 Lakhs** only
Located at Vajamangala,
Bannur road, Mysore

For more details contact :
96067 24499

YOUR OLD BED COTTON

Will be cleaned by giving softness like new cotton by electric cleaning machine with making new bed.

Free Pickup & Delivery

BAHUSAR TRADING Co.,
No.50, D.D. Urs Rd., Mysuru.
94480-62224/0821-2427224

GRAVITY ONE
LIVING SPACE PVT.LTD

We are seeking a

- **PRIMAVERA (P6) TRAINED CIVIL ENGINEER (M/F)**

Candidates with or without prior experience are encouraged to apply.

Join our team and contribute to exciting construction projects!

Post your CV to hr@gravityone.com

WANTED TEACHERS
English Medium only

- M.Sc., B.Ed., (Mathematics)
- B.Sc., B.Ed., PCM (Lady Candidate)
- MCA / M.Sc., / BCA / PGDCA in Computer Science
- B.Com Clerk (Lady Candidate)
- M.Sc., B.Ed., Physics major (Part or full time)

(Highly attractive Salary will be paid for deserving candidates)

Contact Immediately Headmistress
11.30am to 3.00pm

St. MARINA'S ENGLISH HIGH SCHOOL
Rajendranagar Main Road
(Opposite to Kaveri Palace function hall),
N.R.Mohalla, Mysuru-07

Head Mistress

Online and Distance Learning From
Karnataka's No.1 Universsity in Distance & Online Learning
UGC Entitled Work-Linked-Programs
MBA | MCA | MCom | MA | MSW
BCA |BA |BSc | BCom | BBA
For Admissions Please Call M 91870 50834

INTERACTIVE BOARDS

Classroom or Conference Room.
Productive & Modern.

✆ 93435 99333

Experience @ RISHABH ENTERPRISES
Hootagalli, Mysuru

WANTED

A Reputed School in Mysore City
Requires FEMALE TEACHERS for the following posts:

- ENGLISH LANGUAGE TEACHER : 1 Post
  For High School Students
- ENGLISH LANGUAGE TEACHER : 1 Post
  For Higher Primary School Students

Candidates with requisite qualification and experience apply with C V to :
srikanthsrivatsa28@gmail.com

STAR OF MYSORE

DISCLAIMER

Readers may make appropriate enquiries regarding the Advertised product with the Advertisers concerned. Star of Mysore shall not be held liable for any consequences or entering into any commitment in relation to any advertisement published in this Newspaper.

— Management

UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY

Know your Health, Wealth, Education, Job, Marriage, Love, Children, Business, Loss & Gain etc.,

Contact:
N. VENKATESH MURTHY
ASTRO PALMIST
1972-2016 Hotel Dasaprakash - Now below address
 # 13, 2nd Floor, Udayaravi Main Road, near Shanthi Sagar, next to Hotel Mysuru Mylari, NIKE Showroom building, Kuvempunagar, Mysuru-23

Mob : 98440 32957

Want to release advertisements in

STAR OF MYSORE
&
ಮೈಸೂರು ಮಿತ್ರ

Call : 94485-25060 / 89516-68960 / 98805-49879

Printed by T.S. Gopinath and published by M. Govinde Gowda on behalf of Academy Newspapers Private Limited at Academy Newspapers Private Limited, 15-C, Industrial 'A' Layout, Bannimantap, Mysuru-570 015. Editor: M. Govinde Gowda. Phone: 2496520 / 2496521 / 2496522 / 2496523 / 2496526 / 2496527 / 2496528. City offices: Visveshwaraya Building, III Floor, K.R. CIRCLE, Mysuru-570 001, Phone : 2431774 and No. 114, D.Devaraj Urs Road, Mysuru-570 001, Phone : 2428695, E-mail address: voice@starofmysore.com, For Advertisements: ad@starofmysore.com, RNI Reg. No. 29894/78.